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June 28, 2010

Mr. Dan Eagar
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Division of Water Pollution Control
7th Floor, L & C Annex
401 Church Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37241-1534

RE: CITY OF LAFAYETTE PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SYSTEM -
EMERGENCY SEDIMENT REMOVAL from ADAMS SPRING RESERVOIR

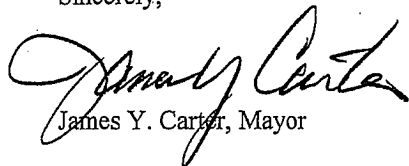
Dear Mr. Eagar:

Due to the recent 1,000-year rain event and subsequent flooding, the City of Lafayette has discovered that much of the capacity of the Adams Spring Reservoir has been lost to excessive silt buildup. The City respectfully requests that our forces be permitted to remove the silt, which would include approximately 500 cubic yards, located directly against and immediately upstream of the reservoir dam. The City requests the emergency approval based on recent communication from Governor Phil Bredesen and Commissioner Jim Fyke, which invokes Section 109 of the *Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977*.

Adams Spring, located in north-central Macon County at latitude 36°37'20"N, longitude 85°59'35"W, is a primary source of drinking water for the Lafayette System. With the recent buildup of excess silt in the reservoir, coupled with the early onset of dry conditions this spring and summer, the City feels that restoring the lost reservoir capacity as soon as possible will help to avoid threatening "the safety and security of the citizens of the state."

Please contact the City of Lafayette Director of Public Works, Mr. Phillip Brawner, with your decision at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



James Y. Carter, Mayor

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cc: Mr. William O. Hall, TDEC, Cookeville
Mr. Rob Howard, TDEC, Cookeville
Mr. Johnny K. Walker, TDEC, Cookeville
Mr. Phillip Brawner, Lafayette Director of Public Works
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